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In re the Application of

Jean-Luc TAUREL et al.

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Examiner:

A. Chambers

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For:

A FUEL TANK AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING IT

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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